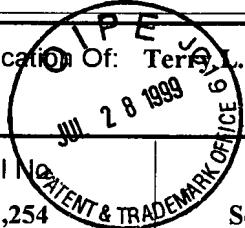


**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)**

Docket No.

In Re Application Of: Terry L. Thomas, et al.

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Invention:

PRODUCTION OF GAMMA LINOLENIC ACID BY A DELTA 6 DESATURASE

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of March 26, 1999 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

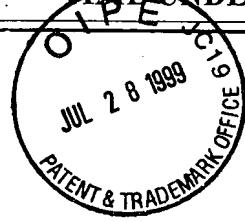
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CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	128 -	128 =	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	4 -	4 =	0	x \$78.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$870.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$870.00

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of \$870.00 for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1013 SSMP
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- Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. _____
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Dated: July 26, 1999

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